

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SHUM, AR  
SUBJECT: DETAINMENT OF ARGENTINE PRINTS: TESTA, MATHOT,  
GUTTIEREZ GARCIA, MUSSE AND TRONCOSO

REF: STATE 192106

1. ARGENTINE FOREIGN OFFICE HUMAN RIGHTS WORKING  
GROUP HAS PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON  
SUBJECT CASES:

A) TESTA, JOHN FRANCO -- DETAINED UNDER PEN DECREE  
1845 OF 12/12/74. TESTA HAS ALSO BEEN CHARGED  
BEFORE FEDERAL CRIMINAL JUDGE IN CHACO FOR  
ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF ARMS IN VIOLATION OF  
CRIMINAL LAW 189 (BIS). TESTA IS BELIEVED TO BE  
A MEMBER OF ERP CELL WICH ATTACKED POLICE  
STATION IN COLONIA ABORIGEN (CHACO) IN  
OCTOBER 1974. TESTA IS PRESENTLY HELD IN UNIT 9  
OF LA PLATA PRISON.  
B) MATHOT, HUGO ORLANDO -- DETAINED UNDER PEN  
DECREE 52 OF 1/9/76 FOR POSSESSION OF MONTONERO  
PROPAGANDA.  
C) GUTTIEREZ GARCIA, FRANCISCO -- BEING DETAINED UNDER PEN  
DECREE 3558 OF 11/25/75 FOR VIOLATION OF ARGENTINE LAW  
20,840 FOR MEMBERSHIP IN "MOVENENT OF THIRD WORLD" (MONTONERO  
ORGANIZATION). HE IS FURTHER ACCUSED OF DIRECT  
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PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZING GUERRILLA BASES TRAINING  
FUTURE COMBATANTS, AND RECRUITING ADHERENTS IN THE SANTO  
CRISTO CHRUCH IN BUENOS AIRES THROUGH ITS RECREATION  
CENTER.

D) MUSSE, ELIAS -- DETAINED UNDER PEN DECREE 2045 OF 7/29/75  
FOR VIOLATION OF LAW 20,840 AND CRIMINAL CODE PROVISION  
189 (BIS).MUSSE IS CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL ASSOCIATION,

ATTACKING POLICE STATION NUMBER 2 IN MAR DEL PLATA AND  
FOR THE THEFT OF ARMS AND EXPLOSIVES.

E) TRONCOSO, RAUL -- BEING DETAINED UNDER PEN DECREE 1135  
OF 7/1/76 FOR MEMBERSHIP IN MONTONERO ORGANIZATION  
AND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CLANDESTINE ARMS DEPOSIT.

2. EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION ON THESE INDIVIDUALS TO  
EVALUATE CHARGES MADE BY GOA AUTHORITIES. MINISTRY  
CONTINUING TO CHECK ON OTHER NAMES LISTED REFTTEL.  
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